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In the Matter of Creation of a Low Power Radio Service MM Docket No. 99-25 RM-9208 RM-9242

Comments of Regional Audio Information Service

The Regional Audio Information Service (RAISE), strongly objects to the proposal for inserting low power FM signals into the existing FM band. RAISE operates various transmitting sites to deliver print information in audio format to blind and print-impaired listeners throughout the 23 western-most counties of North Carolina. If you choose to reduce the adjacent channel interference protection now in place, our use of analog subcarriers will be rendered virtually unusable. Until and unless alternate technologies are made available to us, along with the necessary retooling funds, we urge that you table this proposal.

Respectfully submitted

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